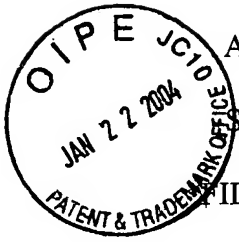


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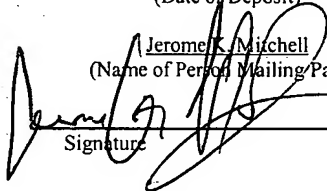
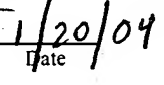
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Prior to substantive examination of the above identified application, please amend the  
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